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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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<div style="float: left; width: 15%; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> ON FILE JUL 12 2004 <small>PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE</small> </div> INVENTOR: METHOD FOR MAINTAINING OR IMPROVING THE SYNTHESIS OF MUCINS					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
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TOTAL CLAIMS	39 -	44 =	0 x	\$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	15 -	15 =	0 x	\$86.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. </div> <div style="text-align: right;"> Dated: July 9, 2004 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> Robert M. Barrett Reg. No. 30,142 BELL, BOYD & LLOYD LLC P.O. Box 1135 Chicago, IL 60690-1135 Phone: 312-807-4204 </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 40%;"> I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 07-09-04 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Renee Street Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence </div> </div> </div> </div>					